




It was also indicated to the Examiner of the Applicants' intent to amend claims to place them in generally the same form as the claims then currently pending in the Ser. No. 10/061,381 in order to provoke an interference.

The Examiner was also requested to further consider the non-patent documents Items EB and EK from the 3/14/2004 IDS.

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